

With respect to FIG 3B-3D (Authentication Using VVSC Website Whereby a Notary is Required), Applicant refers to paragraph 72 through 84 and paragraphs 88 through 93, and paragraphs 96-106 of the original specification.

With respect to FIG 3D (Identification Criteria), Applicant refers to paragraph 76 through 79, and paragraph 91, and paragraph 93 of the original specification.

With respect to FIG 3E (Client Registration), Applicant refers to paragraph 96 through 98 of the original specification.

DEFINITIONS

Per page 4, paragraph 5, of the final office action, Examiner objects to the paragraphs as containing new matter. Applicant requests that paragraphs 178-184 of the substitute specification be amended as follows:

[178]

~~Video Authentication Service Center (VVSC)~~

~~The VVSC is a physical structure, a place of business, where either a client or a customer can go to process a service request. The VVSC is staffed by VVSC employees and is equipped with the infrastructure to enable the service requests, as disclosed herein. The VVSC enables the service request tendered by the client and coordinates the schedule of the parties to the videoconference.~~

Transaction: The term "transaction" should be given a broad reading because it encompasses a vast array of possible applications of the present invention. For example, the present invention can authenticate electronic documents that require a notary public to authenticate the signature and the corresponding electronic document; e-commerce documents that require that the identity of a party be verified; signature verification, document authentication; documents that must be signed by the parties simultaneously to take effect, or identification cards and documents that require identity authentication. Likewise, the present invention may be utilized in industry specific environments, such as banking, real estate, legal and governmental operations.

[179] The VVSC establishes the time and date and locations for the real-time videoconference between the client and customer(s). All parties to the videoconference receive a confirmation prior to the videoconference via electronic mail or other forms of messaging, such as text, or mail or telephone, informing said parties of the time, date and location of the videoconference. The parties are advised of the contents of the service request, and the necessary identity criteria that must be provided during the videoconference. The VVSC enables and manages the services requested by the

~~client; irrespective of the different location of the client and customer. The VVSC provides the necessary infrastructure and applications for the videoconference, the service request, and to create the finalized authoritative document.~~

~~Video Authentication Service Center Website (VVSC website)~~
~~In the preferred embodiment, the VVSC website is accessible via the Internet. The VVSC website provides the service requests disclosed herein: identity, or signature, or document authentication. The VVSC website enables a client or a customer to access authentication services from a local computer system (e.g. their home or office), without having to physically visit a VVSC.~~

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~~**Service Request or Request for Services**~~

~~A service request, or request for services; used interchangeably, mean a request from a client for any of the foregoing services from the VVSC or the VVSC website. Specifically: identity authentication, or signature authentication, or document authentication, or any combination thereof. Irrespective of the client's service request, it is processed in the context of a real-time videoconference. A client may tender a single service request, or multiple service requests, to be fulfilled in the course of the videoconference.~~

~~**Client and Customer**~~

~~A client is the individual tendering the service request to the VVSC or the VVSC website. A customer is the individual whose identity, or signature, or documents are being authenticated. In some transactions, a client may also request that the client's identity, or client's signature, or client's document be authenticated during the videoconference, along with the customer's. By way of example, a client and a customer may wish to verify the identity and signature of one another to conclude a commercial transaction, such as the~~